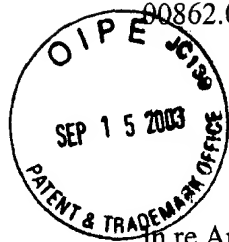


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Sir:

Applicants filed on May 17, 1999 an Information Disclosure Statement in the subject application, the issue and publication fees for which are being paid concurrently herewith. However, Applicants have yet to receive acknowledgment by the Examiner of consideration of the references cited therein.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return the Form PTO-1449 that accompanied the May 17, 1999 Information Disclosure Statement, a copy of which is enclosed, to indicate that the references cited therein have been considered and made formally of record.

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